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### General Assembly

Seventy-third session

**General Committee**

10:00 — 1st meeting (closed) — Economic and Social Council Chamber

Organization of work of session 73 of the General Assembly, adoption of the agenda and allocation of items: memorandum of the Secretary-General

Document: A/BUR/73/1

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**Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions**

10:00 to 13:00 Closed meeting — Conference Room 10

Overview of human resources management reform: Desirable Ranges

# Forthcoming official meetings

## General Assembly

Seventy-third session

21 September 2018

10:15 2nd plenary meeting [webcast] — General Assembly Hall

Tribute to the memory of His Excellency Kofi Annan, seventh Secretary-General of the United Nations

A traditional Ghanaian cultural performance will take place at 10:15 immediately before the start of the formal plenary meeting.

Overflow rooms: Trusteeship Council Chamber, Economic and Social Council Chamber and Conference Room 4

Letters from the President of the General Assembly, dated 6 September 2018 and 14 September 2018, were sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.

15:00 3rd plenary meeting [webcast] — General Assembly Hall

Organization of work, adoption of the agenda and allocation of items: First report of the General Committee - Item 7

Document: A/73/250 (to be issued)

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**High-level plenary meeting to commemorate and promote the International Day for the Total Elimination of Nuclear Weapons**

26 September 2018

09:15 — Economic and Social Council Chamber

15:00 — Economic and Social Council Chamber

A high-level plenary meeting will be held pursuant to General Assembly resolution 72/251 of 24 December 2017.

Letters from the President of the General Assembly, dated 8 August 2018, 21 August 2018 and 14 September 2018, were sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.

The list of speakers will open on 4 September 2018, at 10:00.

Delegations wishing to inscribe on the list of speakers are requested to do so through the e-deleGATE portal.

Delegations will need special access passes to the high-level meeting, which will be distributed by the Protocol and Liaison Service.

Document: A/RES/72/251

Contact: Victor Leu (for inquiries regarding the e-Speakers List (leu@un.org))

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**High-level meeting on the fight against tuberculosis [webcast]**

26 September 2018

10:00 Opening segment — Conference Room 4

On the theme: United to end tuberculosis: an urgent global response to a global epidemic

A list of speakers for the plenary segment will be established in accordance with established practices of the General Assembly.

Delegations are encouraged to observe the time limits of *three minutes* for statements by individual Member States and *five minutes* for delegations speaking on behalf of a group of States.

Member States communicated by their respective regional groups to speak during the plenary segment are encouraged to submit their requests for inscription to the list of speakers through the e-Speakers system, which will be accessible from 31 August 2018, at 10:00.

An automated e-mail acknowledgement will be sent within *one hour* of receipt of the request for inscription.

A list of speakers will be circulated prior to the high-level meeting.

The two consecutive multi-stakeholder panels will be held in parallel to the plenary segment.

Discussions in the multi-stakeholder panels are intended to be interactive in nature, and there will be no pre-established list of speakers.

Delegations are encouraged to observe the time limits of *two minutes* for statements by individual Member States and *three minutes* for delegations speaking on behalf of a group of States.

Member States are invited to indicate their interest to intervene in one of the multi-stakeholder panels, including the name and level of the speaker, through the e-Speakers system, accessible on 31 August 2018, at 10:00.

For further information, please refer to the letter by the President of the General Assembly dated 16 August 2018.

Documents: A/RES/71/159 and A/RES/72/268

Links: Accessibility, Website, Letter and e-Speaker

Contacts: Yasmine Laabas (General Assembly observers - List of speakers and expressions of interest) laabas@un.org; WHO Global TB Programme - Specialized agencies and United Nations entities, including funds and programmes (gtbprogramme@who.int)

11:00 Plenary segment 1 — Conference Room 4

In parallel

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| 11:30 | Multi-stakeholder panel 1 | Trusteeship Council Chamber |
| | In parallel | |
| 15:00 | Plenary segment 2 | Conference Room 4 |
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| 15:00 | Multi-stakeholder panel 2 | Trusteeship Council Chamber |
| | In parallel | |

The two consecutive multi-stakeholder panels will be held in parallel to the plenary segment.

Discussions in the multi-stakeholder panels are intended to be interactive in nature, and there will be no pre-established list of speakers.

Delegations are encouraged to observe the time limits of 2 minutes for statements by individual Member States and 3 minutes for delegations speaking on behalf of a group of States.

Member States are invited to indicate their interest to intervene in one of the multi-stakeholder panels, including the name and level of the speaker, through the e-Speakers system, accessible on 31 August 2018, at 10:00.

For further information, please refer to the letter by the President of the General Assembly dated 16 August 2018.

Documents: A/RES/71/159 and A/RES/72/268

Links: Accessibility, Website, Letter and e-Speaker

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| 17:30 | Closing segment | Conference Room 4 |

A list of speakers for the plenary segment will be established in accordance with established practices of the General Assembly.

Delegations are encouraged to observe the time limits of *three minutes* for statements by individual Member States and *five minutes* for delegations speaking on behalf of a group of States.

Member States communicated by their respective regional groups to speak during the plenary segment are encouraged to submit their requests for inscription to the list of speakers through the e-Speakers system, which will be accessible from 31 August 2018, at 10:00.

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Documents: A/RES/71/159 and A/RES/72/268

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**Third high-level meeting of the General Assembly on the prevention and control of non-communicable diseases** [webcast]

27 September 2018

10:00 Opening segment — Conference Room 4

On the theme: Scaling up multi-stakeholder and multisectoral responses for the prevention and control of non-communicable diseases in the context of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development

The modalities for the high-level meeting are set out in resolution 72/274.

A list of speakers for the plenary segment will be established in accordance with established practices of the General Assembly.

Delegations are encouraged to observe the time limits of *three minutes* for statements by individual Member States and *five minutes* for delegations speaking on behalf of a group of States.

Member States communicated by their respective regional groups to speak during the plenary segment are encouraged to submit their requests for inscription to the list of speakers through the e-Speakers system, accessible on 31 August 2018, at 10:00.

An automated e-mail acknowledgement will be sent within *one hour* of receipt of the request for inscription.

A list of speakers will be circulated prior to the high-level meeting.

The two consecutive multi-stakeholder panels will be held in parallel to the plenary segment.

Discussions in the multi-stakeholder panels are intended to be interactive in nature, and there will be no pre-established list of speakers.

Delegations are encouraged to observe the time limits of *two minutes* for statements by individual Member States and *three minutes* for delegations speaking on behalf of a group of States.

Member States are invited to indicate their interest to intervene in one of the multi-stakeholder panels, including the name and level of the speaker, through the e-Speakers system, accessible on 31 August 2018, at 10:00.

For further information, please refer to the letter by the President of the General Assembly dated 16 August 2018.

Document: A/RES/72/274

Links: Accessibility; Website; Letter and e-Speaker

Contacts: Cassandra Price Taveras (General Assembly Observers - list of speakers and expressions of interest) (pricec@un.org); WHO NYO - Specialized agencies and United Nations entities, funds and programmes - expressions of interest (nmajoor@whoun.org, i3@whoun.org)

11:00 Plenary segment 1 Conference Room 4

In parallel

11:00 Multi-stakeholder panel 1 Trusteeship Council Chamber

In parallel

15:00 Plenary segment 2 Conference Room 4

In parallel

15:00 Multi-stakeholder panel 2 Trusteeship Council Chamber

In parallel

A list of speakers for the plenary segment will be established in accordance with established practices of the General Assembly.

Delegations are encouraged to observe the time limits of *three* minutes for statements by individual Member States and *five minutes* for delegations speaking on behalf of a group of States.

Member States communicated by their respective regional groups to speak during the high-level meeting are encouraged to submit their requests for inscription to the list of speakers through the e-Speakers system, accessible on 31 August 2018, at 10:00.

An automated e-mail acknowledgement will be sent within one hour of receipt of the request for inscription.

A list of speakers will be circulated prior to the high-level meeting.

The two consecutive multi-stakeholder panels will be held in parallel to the plenary segment.

For further information, please refer to the letter by the President of the General Assembly dated 16 August 2018.

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| 17:30 | Closing segment | Conference Room 4 |

**First Committee**

4 October 2018

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| 15:00 - 18:00 | Organizational meeting | Conference Room 4 |
| | To consider its provisional programme of work and timetable and indicative timetable for thematic discussions | |

8 October 2018

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| 10:00 - 13:00 | 2nd plenary meeting | Conference Room 4 |

General debate on all disarmament and international security agenda items

The general debate on all disarmament and international security agenda items will take place from 8 October 2018 to 17 October 2018.

Delegations wishing to inscribe on the list of speakers are requested to do so through the e-deleGATE portal.

Requests for inscription from permanent missions and observer States for the general debate on agenda items allocated to the Committee should be sent through the e-Speakers system, available as of 11 September 2018.

The list of speakers for the general debate is open until 9 October 2018, at 18:00.

Delegations are reminded that, during the general debate, a time limit of *8 minutes* for delegations speaking in their national capacity, and *13 minutes* for those speaking on behalf of several delegations, should be observed.

The thematic discussion will take place from 17 October 2018 to 31 October 2018.

The list of speakers for the thematic discussions will open on 11 October 2018 and close on 22 October 2018, at 18:00.

The time limit for the thematic discussions is *five minutes* for delegations speaking in their national capacity, and *seven minutes* for those speaking or behalf of several delegations.

The composition of delegations, names of representatives, alternate representatives and advisers should be registered through the "e-List of participants" module on the e-deleGATE secure portal.

Delegations wishing to reserve conference rooms for consultations during the session should contact the secretariat of the Committee.

Background information on the Committee is available and accessible to Member States and permanent observers on the First Committee Place.

Delegations wishing to circulate their statements electronically through the PaperSmart Portal should send a copy of the statement at least *one hour* in advance of delivery. PDF format is preferred. The date of the meeting and the agenda item should be indicated in the heading of the statement and in the subject line of the e-mail. The statements will be posted on the PaperSmart portal after delivery. Delegations are kindly reminded to provide 30 hard copies of the text for the technical services no later than *one hour* before delivery of the statement.

Document: A/72/478

Link: e-deleGATE Portal

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**Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee)**

4 October 2018

10:00 1st plenary meeting [webcast] Conference Room 4

The opening meeting will take place on Thursday, 4 October 2018, at 10:00, in Conference Room 4.

The list of speakers for all items on the agenda will open on 17 September 2018 at 10:00.

Delegations wishing to inscribe on the list of speakers are requested to do so through the e-deleGATE portal.

Delegations are encouraged to observe the time limits of 10 minutes for statements by individual Member States and 15 minutes for delegations speaking on behalf of a group of States.

The list of speakers will be prepared on the basis of these time limits.

The composition of delegations, names of representatives, alternate representatives and advisers should be registered through the "e-List of participants" module on the e-deleGATE secure portal.

Any additional queries should be directed to the secretariat of the Committee.

Document: A/72/481

Link: e-deleGATE Portal

Contact: Fourth Committee Secretariat (4thcommittee@un.org)

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8 October 2018

15:00 2nd meeting [webcast] Conference Room 4

Requests to appear as a petitioner before the Committee under the agenda item entitled Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples [item 62] should be submitted online by filling out a form.

For details, please see link.

Requests will be accepted from 29 August 2018, 09:00, until 27 September 2018, 18:00 (New York time).

The online form should be submitted with an attachment containing a scanned copy of a letter requesting to appear as a petitioner, which must be addressed to the Chair of the Committee, specify the Non-Self-Governing Territory under which you would like to petition and be signed by hand.

For details, please see link.

Links:

https://epetition.un.org

http://www.un.org/en/decolonization/nonselfgovterritories.shtml

e-deleGATE Portal

Contact: Fourth Committee Secretariat (4thcommittee@un.org)

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**Second Committee**

4 October 2018

10:00 to 13:00 — Organizational meeting [webcast] — Conference Room 2

The Committee will consider its proposed organization of work, the status of documentation, and to discuss the conduct of work of the Committee for the session.

Documents: A/C.2/73/L.1/Add.1 and A/C.2/73/L.1 (to be issued)

Links: e-deleGATE Portal, PaperSmart and Website

Contacts: PaperSmart (for electronic circulation of statements) papersmart2@un.org; Ms. Cassandra Price-Taveras (List of speakers; List of participants) pricec@un.org

8 October 2018

10:00 — Substantive session [webcast] — Conference Room 2

The Committee will begin its substantive work for the session.

The session will open with a keynote address followed by the opening of the general debate.

Additional information will be available on the website of the Second Committee after 18 September 2018.

The list of speakers for the general debate will be open on 17 September 2018, at 10:00.

Delegations are reminded that, during the general debate, a time limit of *seven minutes* for delegations speaking in their national capacity, and *10 minutes* for those speaking on behalf of several delegations, should be observed.

Inscription to the lists of speakers for the general discussion of individual agenda items of the Second Committee will open on 17 September 2018.

The time limit for the general discussion(s) is *five minutes* for delegations speaking in their national capacity, and *seven minutes* for those speaking on behalf of several delegations.

The lists of speakers will be prepared on the basis of these time limits.

Requests for inscription from permanent missions and observer States for the general debate on agenda items allocated to the Committee should be sent through the e-Speakers system, available as of 17 September 2018.

Intergovernmental organizations, entities that have observer status with the General Assembly, United Nations system, including funds, programmes, specialized agencies and regional commissions wishing to inscribe with the list of speakers are kindly requested to contact the secretariat of the Second Committee.

Delegations wishing to circulate their statements electronically through the PaperSmart Portal should send a copy of the statement at least *one hour* in advance of delivery. PDF format is preferred. The date of the meeting and the agenda item should be indicated in the heading of the statement and in the subject line of the e-mail. The statements will be posted on the PaperSmart portal after delivery. Delegations are kindly reminded to provide 25 hard copies of the text for the technical services no later than *one hour* before delivery of the statement.

Members, as well as observers, are requested to register the names of representatives, alternate representatives and advisers through the e-List of Participants module on the e-deleGATE portal.

Documents: A/C.2/73/L.1/Add.1 and to be issued: A/C.2/73/L.1

Links: e-deleGATE Portal, PaperSmart and Website

Contacts: PaperSmart (for electronic circulation of statements) papersmart2@un.org and Cassandra Price-Taveras (List of speakers; List of participants) pricec@un.org

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**Third Committee**

2 October 2018

10:00 to 13:00 — 1st meeting [webcast] — Conference Room 1

The Committee will begin its substantive work for the session.

The list of speakers for all items on the agenda of the Committee is open.

In accordance with established practice, the time limits of *five minutes* for individual Member States and *12 minutes* for delegations speaking on behalf of a group of States during the general debate will be observed.

Requests for inscription from permanent missions and observer States for the general discussion on agenda items allocated to the Committee should be sent through the e-Speakers system, available as of 17 September 2018.

An automated e-mail acknowledgement will be sent within one hour of receipt of the request for inscription.

Intergovernmental organizations, entities that have observer status with the General Assembly, United Nations system, including funds, programmes, specialized agencies and regional commissions wishing to inscribe with the list of speakers are kindly requested to contact the secretariat of the Commission in writing.

Requests for room reservations for informal consultations on Committee matters should be sent as soon as possible, but no later than 11:00 of the day before the meeting, to the secretariat of the Committee.

For inclusion in the list of participants, the names of representatives, alternate representatives and advisers should be registered through the e-List of Participants module in e-deleGATE.

Delegations wishing to circulate their statements electronically through the PaperSmart Portal should send a copy of the statement at least *one hour* in advance of delivery. PDF

format is preferred. The date of the meeting and the agenda item should be indicated in the heading of the statement and in the subject line of the e-mail. The statements will be posted on the PaperSmart portal after delivery. Delegations are kindly reminded to provide 20 hard copies of the text for the technical services no later than *one hour* before delivery of the statement.

Statements will be made available on the Third Committee PaperSmart portal only after delivery by delegations

Documents: A/C.3/73/L.1/Rev.1, A/C.3/73/L.1/Add.1, A/73/214, A/73/61-E/2018/4, A/73/211, A/73/213, A/73/220, A/73/254 and A/73/292

To be issued: A/73/250 and A/C.3/73/1

Links: e-deleGATE Portal and PaperSmart

Contacts: List of speakers for IGOs, Observers, UN system, specialized agencies and regional commissions (slthirdcommittee@un.org); Room reservations for informal consultations (leonc@un.org) and PaperSmart (papersmart3@un.org)

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**Sixth Committee**

3 October 2018

10:00 to 13:00 Trusteeship Council Chamber

Sixth Committee (Legal)

The Committee will hold its first meeting on 3 October 2018, at 10:00, in the Trusteeship Council Chamber.

The Committee will begin its substantive work for the session.

The list of speakers for all items on the agenda of the Committee is open.

Requests for inscription from permanent missions and observer States should be submitted by their respective focal points through the e-Speakers module on the e-deleGATE portal.

Intergovernmental organizations and entities that have observer status with the General Assembly, as well as the United Nations system, funds and programmes, specialized agencies and regional commissions wishing to inscribe on the lists of speakers for the debate on agenda items allocated to the Committee should submit their requests directly to the Secretariat of the Committee.

The names of representatives, alternate representatives and advisers should be registered through the "e-List of participants" module on the e-deleGATE portal.

For information regarding access to the e-deleGATE portal, please contact the DGACM Helpdesk.

PaperSmart services will be offered as an additional service for the seventy-third session of the Committee.

Delegations wishing to circulate their statements electronically through the PaperSmart Portal should send a copy of the statement at least *one hour* in advance of delivery. PDF format is preferred. The date of the meeting and the agenda item should be indicated in the heading of the statement and in the subject line of the e-mail. The statements will be posted on the PaperSmart portal after delivery. Delegations are kindly reminded to

provide 30 hard copies of the text for the technical services no later than *one hour* before delivery of the statement.

Representatives of Member States and of observers registered for the e-deleGATE portal of the Committee at the seventy-third session will be automatically registered for the Committee email list.

Representatives of observers not registered in the e-deleGATE portal may register for the Committee email list by sending a request to the Committee Secretariat.

The email list will be used for communicating information concerning the work of the Committee and related events.

Further background information on the Committee, including information concerning the seventy-third session, is available on the Committee's website.

The meetings of the Committee will be webcast live on UN Web TV.

Archive videos will be available on the UN Web TV dedicated committee page.

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## Summary of official meetings

**Friday, 14 September 2018**

### General Assembly

Seventy-second session

**Intergovernmental Conference on an international legally binding instrument under the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea on the conservation and sustainable use of marine biological diversity of areas beyond national jurisdiction**

First session

[archived video]

16th plenary meeting

Consideration of the subject matter referred to in paragraphs 1 and 2 of General Assembly resolution 72/249 - Item 7

The President of the Conference, Ambassador for Oceans and Law of the Sea Issues and Special Envoy of the Minister for Foreign Affairs of Singapore, Her Excellency Rena Lee, resumed agenda item 7 and delivered a statement on the way forward to a zero draft, following which she closed agenda item 7.

Other matters - Item 8

The President of the Conference, Ambassador for Oceans and Law of the Sea Issues and Special Envoy of the Minister for Foreign Affairs of Singapore, Her Excellency Rena Lee, resumed agenda item 8.

Ms. Gabriele Goettsche-Wanli, Director, Division for Ocean Affairs and the Law of the Sea, Office of Legal Affairs and Secretary of the Conference delivered a statement on the "Voluntary Trust Fund for the purpose of assisting developing countries, in particular the least developed countries, landlocked developing countries and small island developing States, in attending the meetings of the preparatory committee and the intergovernmental conference on the conservation and sustainable use of marine biological diversity of areas beyond national jurisdiction".

The President of the Conference closed agenda item 8.

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**Monday, 17 September 2018**

## General Assembly

Seventy-second session

**Intergovernmental Conference on an international legally binding instrument under the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea on the conservation and sustainable use of marine biological diversity of areas beyond national jurisdiction**

First session

[archived video]

17th plenary meeting

Credentials of representatives - Item 5

The President of the Conference, Ambassador for Oceans and Law of the Sea Issues and Special Envoy of the Minister for Foreign Affairs of Singapore, Her Excellency Rena Lee, opened agenda item 5.

The Chair of the Credentials Committee (Ireland) introduced the report of the Committee.

The Conference adopted the draft resolution approving the report of the Credentials Committee and accepting additional credentials submitted subsequent to the meeting of the Credentials Committee.

The President of the Conference closed agenda item 5 at the first session of the Conference.

Closure of the session - Item 9

The President opened agenda item 9 and delivered her closing statement.

The representative of China made a statement.

The President of the Conference, Ambassador for Oceans and Law of the Sea Issues and Special Envoy of the Minister for Foreign Affairs of Singapore, Her Excellency Rena Lee, closed agenda item 9 and closed the first session of the Intergovernmental Conference on an international legally binding instrument under the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea on the conservation and sustainable use of marine biological diversity of areas beyond national jurisdiction.

**Tuesday, 18 September 2018**

## Security Council

[archived video]

8355th meeting — The situation in the Middle East

Report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of Security Council resolutions 2139 (2014), 2165 (2014), 2191 (2014), 2258 (2015), 2332 (2016), 2393 (2017) and 2401 (2018) (S/2018/845)

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President invited the representatives of the Islamic Republic of Iran, the Syrian Arab Republic and Turkey to participate in the meeting in accordance with rule 37 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

The President invited Mr. Staffan de Mistura, Special Envoy of the Secretary-General for Syria, and Mr. Mark Lowcock, Under-Secretary-General for Humanitarian Affairs and Emergency Relief Coordinator, to participate in the meeting in accordance with rule 39 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

The Council began its consideration of the item and heard briefings by Mr. de Mistura and Mr. Lowcock.

Statements were made by the President, speaking in his capacity as the representative of the United States, and by the representatives of Sweden (speaking on behalf of Kuwait and Sweden), France, Equatorial Guinea, Kazakhstan, Côte d'Ivoire, China, Poland, Peru, Ethiopia, the Netherlands, the United Kingdom, the Plurinational State of Bolivia and the Russian Federation.

The Council heard statements by the representatives of the Syrian Arabic Republic, Turkey and the Islamic Republic of Iran.

8356th meeting — Reports of the Secretary-General on the Sudan and South Sudan

Report of the Secretary-General on South Sudan (covering the period from 4 June to 1 September 2018) (S/2018/831)

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President invited the representative of South Sudan to participate in the meeting in accordance with rule 37 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

The President invited the following individuals to participate in the meeting in accordance with rule 39 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure: Mr. Jean-Pierre Lacroix, Under-Secretary-General for Peacekeeping Operations; Mr. Nicholas Haysom, Special Envoy of the Secretary-General for the Sudan and South Sudan; His Excellency Ismail Wais, Intergovernmental Authority on Development Special Envoy for South Sudan; and Ms. Grace John, Governance and Peace Manager for Community Empowerment for Progress Organisation.

The Council began its consideration of the item and heard briefings by Mr. Lacroix, Mr. Haysom, His Excellency Ismail Wais (via video-teleconference from Addis Ababa) and Ms. John (via video-teleconference from Kampala).

Statements were made by the President speaking in his capacity as the representative of the United States, and by the representatives of Ethiopia, the Netherlands, France, Poland, Kazakhstan, Kuwait, Peru, Côte d'Ivoire, the United Kingdom, Sweden, China, the Plurinational State of Bolivia, the Russian Federation and Equatorial Guinea.

The Council heard a statement by the representative of South Sudan.

## General Assembly

Seventy-third session

[archived video]

1st plenary meeting

Opening of the session by the President of the General Assembly - Item 1

The President, Her Excellency María Fernanda Espinosa Garcés (Ecuador), declared the seventy-third session of the General Assembly opened.

Minute of silent prayer or meditation - Item 2

The General Assembly observed one minute of silent prayer or meditation.

The President made a statement.

The Secretary-General made a statement.

Scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of the United Nations (Article 19 of the Charter) (A/73/367/Rev.1) - Item 141

The General Assembly took note of the letter from the Secretary-General (A/73/367/Rev.1) concerning four Member States which were in arrears in the payment of their financial contributions to the United Nations within the terms of Article 19 of the Charter.

Appointment of the members of the Credentials Committee - Item 3 (a)

The General Assembly decided to appoint the following States as members of the Credentials Committee: Antigua and Barbuda, Chile, China, Finland, Ghana, Palau, the Russian Federation, Sierra Leone and the United States of America (decision 73/401).

Organization of work of the seventy-third session of the General Assembly: letter from the Chair of the Committee on Conferences (A/73/369) - Items 7 and 140

The General Assembly took note of document A/73/369, containing a letter dated 4 September 2018 from the Chair of the Committee on Conferences addressed to the President of the General Assembly.

The General Assembly decided to authorize the following subsidiary organs of the Assembly to meet during the main part of the seventy-third session of the General Assembly: Committee on Relations with the Host Country; Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People; Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme/United Nations Population Fund/United Nations Officer for Project Services; Board of Auditors; Panel of External Auditors of the United Nations, the Specialized Agencies and the International Atomic Energy Agency; and Independent Audit Advisory Committee (decision 73/501).

In accordance with General Assembly resolution 71/323, material published under the sections below is available in *English* and *French only*.

## Press conferences

*Press Briefing Room (S-0237)* [webcast]

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## Forthcoming informal meetings

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## Forthcoming other meetings

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**Group of Latin American and Caribbean States (monthly meeting)**

20 September 2018

10:00 - 13:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 5

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**Non-Aligned Movement: Logistic coordination meeting**

20 September 2018

10:00 - 13:00 Closed meeting Conference Room A

**Non-Aligned Movement: Ministerial Meeting**

26 September 2018

09:00 - 13:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 3

**Non-Aligned Movement: Ministerial Meeting on Palestine**

26 September 2018

15:00 - 18:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 11

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**Event entitled "Keeping the Faith in Sustainable Peace: Women of Faith as Agents of Transformation" (A/RES/66/221) (organized by the Office on Genocide Prevention and the Responsibility to Protect)**

20 September 2018

13:15 - 14:30 Conference Room 1

Contact: Simona Cruciani (cruciani@un.org)

**African Group (at the ambassadorial level)**

20 September 2018

15:00 - 18:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 6

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**Western European and Other States Group (monthly meeting)**

21 September 2018

15:00 - 18:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 8

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**OIC Group (Contact Group on the aggression of Armenia against Azerbaijan (at the ministerial level))**

24 September 2018

10:00 - 11:30 Closed meeting Conference Room 12

**OIC Group (Contact Group on Mali (at the ministerial level))**

24 September 2018

11:30 - 13:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 12

**OIC Group (Contact Group on Friends of Mediation (at the ministerial level))**

24 September 2018

15:00 - 16:30 Closed meeting Conference Room 12

**OIC Group (Contact Group on Sierra Leone (at the ministerial level))**

24 September 2018

16:30 - 18:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 12

**OIC Group (Contact Group on Rohingya Muslim Minority (at the ministerial level))**

25 September 2018

15:00 - 16:30 Closed meeting Conference Room 12

**OIC Group (OIC Contact Group on Bosnia and Herzegovina (at the ministerial level))**

25 September 2018

16:30 - 18:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 12

**OIC Group (Contact Group on Jammu and Kashmir (at the ministerial level))**

26 September 2018

10:00 - 11:30 Closed meeting Conference Room 12

**OIC Group (Committee on Palestine (at the ministerial level))**

26 September 2018

11:30 - 13:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 12

**OIC Group (Contact Group on Muslims in Europe (at the ministerial level))**

26 September 2018

15:00 - 16:30 Closed meeting Conference Room 12

**OIC Group (OIC Open-ended Executive Committee Meeting to follow up on the decisions of the sixth and seventh extraordinary summits)**

26 September 2018

16:30 - 18:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 12

**OIC Group (Event on Rohingya Muslims (at the ministerial level))**

27 September 2018

10:00 - 13:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 12

**OIC Group (Contact Group on Yemen (at the ministerial level))**

27 September 2018

15:00 - 16:30 Closed meeting Conference Room 11

**OIC Group (OIC Annual Coordination Meeting of Foreign Affairs Ministers)**

28 September 2018

10:00 - 13:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 2

15:00 - 18:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 2

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**Event entitled "Stepping up Action to End Forced Labour, Modern Slavery and Human Trafficking" (A/RES/70/1) (organized by Permanent Mission of the United Kingdom)**

24 September 2018

11:00 - 12:30 Conference Room 4

Contact: Alistair Kelsey (alistair.kelsey@fco.gov.uk)

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**Launch of the Liechtenstein Initiative for a Financial Sector Commission on Modern Slavery and Human Trafficking (S/RES/2331 (2016)) (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Australia and Liechtenstein, and the United Nations University)**

24 September 2018

15:30 - 17:00 Trusteeship Council Chamber

Contact: Julie Oppermann (Oppermann@unu.edu)

**Event on "Curse or Cure? Leaving No One Behind in an Age of Technological Revolution" (A/RES/70/1) (organized by the United Nations Development Programme)**

25 September 2018

11:30 - 13:00 Trusteeship Council Chamber

Link: Registration

Contact: Catharina Klingspor (catharina.klingspor@undp.org)

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**Group of 77 (Thirtieth Annual Meeting of Senior Officials)**

26 September 2018

15:00 - 18:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 1

**Group of 77 (Forty-second Annual Meeting of Ministers for Foreign Affairs)**

27 September 2018

10:00 - 13:00 Closed meeting Economic and Social Council Chamber

15:00 - 18:00 Closed meeting Economic and Social Council Chamber

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**Event entitled "Friends of the United Nations Inter-Agency Task Force on the Prevention and Control of Non-communicable Diseases (NCDs): Supporting Member States to achieve the NCD-related Sustainable Development Goals targets" (E/2018/L.16) ( (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of the Russian Federation, Sri Lanka, Sweden, the United Arab Emirates, Kenya, Jamaica, WHO, UNDP, UNICEF, UNAIDS, IOM, UNODC, IAEA, IDLO, FCTC Secretariat, UNSCN and UNIATF)**

27 September 2018

13:15 - 14:30 Closed Conference Room 5

Contact: Suvi Huikuri (suvi.huikuri@undp.org; 917-704-0601)

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**High-level event on "Improving availability of internationally controlled drugs and psychotropic substances for medical and scientific purposes, with a specific focus on pain relief" (A/RES/72/198 and A/RES/72/274) (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Belgium and Australia and the United Nations Office of Drugs and Crime)**

27 September 2018

13:15 - 14:30 Closed Conference Room 9

Contact: Kathelijne Cooreman (kathelijne.cooreman@diplobel.fed.be)

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**Event entitled "Ensuring justice for Syria" (A/RES/71/248) (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Liechtenstein and Qatar)**

27 September 2018

15:00 - 16:30 Conference Room 6

Contact: Sina Alavi (sa@nyc.llv.li)

**United Nations Alliance of Civilizations Group of Friends Ministerial Meeting (A/RES/69/312) (organized by the United Nations Alliance of Civilizations (UNAOC))**

28 September 2018

15:00 - 18:00 Trusteeship Council Chamber

Contact: Anna Pavlyuchenko, UNAOC (annap@unops.org; 646-479-0914).

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**Event entitled "Drug-free Programs: Russian NGOs' Experience" (organized by the Permanent Mission of the Russian Federation)**

3 October 2018

15:00 - 16:30 Conference Room 9

Contact: Elena Mukhametzyanova (elenamfarussia@yahoo.com; 212-535-4387

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